

Delaware Agricultural Lands Preservation Foundation

Current Situation Report for November 17, 2009

Agricultural Preservation Districts		
District/Expansions	Farms	Acres
Approved 803	1,060	156,394
Pending 19	19	2,249
Farm Terminations	48	8,024
Totals 822	1,031	150,519
Farms Compliance Verifications to date for 2009	414	78,458

Kent County Districts		
District/Expansions	Farms	Acres
Approved 400	517	80,943
Pending 5	5	471
Farm Terminations	14	3,433
Totals 405	508	77,981

New Castle County Districts		
District/Expansions	Farms	Acres
Approved 90	111	18,144
Pending 1	1	99
Farm Terminations	2	236
Totals 91	110	18,007

Sussex County Districts		
District/Expansions	Farms	Acres
Approved 313	432	57,307
Pending 13	13	1,679
Farm Terminations	32	4,355
Totals 326	413	54,631

Agricultural Easements			
	Farms	Acres	Cost
Settlements Final	518	91,133	\$148,228,285
Pending Round 14	46	3,401	\$9,071,497
Totals (See chart below County breakdown)	564	94,534	\$158,309,782

Averages Based on 518 Easements	
Easements Average Discount	52%
Average Farm Size	176 Acres
Average Payment to Landowner	\$286,155
Average Cost Per Acre	\$1,627

Agricultural Easements by County			
	Farms	Acres	Cost
Kent	287	52,557	\$74,329,516
New Castle	74	11,572	\$27,566,481
Sussex	203	30,405	\$56,413,785
Total	564	94,534	\$158,309,782

Source of Funds for the 564 Easements

* State Funds-	\$123,760,003
* Federal Funds-	\$ 24,421,516
* County Funds-	\$ 8,819,090
* ISTEAs Funds-	\$ 1,309,173

*Est. Settlement Costs-\$ 4,326,576
 *Est. Grand Total- \$162,636,358

Properties by County - Applying to be Easements			
	Farms	Acres	Cost
Kent	67	5,340	\$63,549,413
New Castle	10	1,122	\$14,892,584
Sussex	59	6,486	\$88,195,328
Total	136	12,948	\$166,637,325

NOT SELECTED FROM ROUND 14 - 2009				Round 15 - 2010			Round 16 - 2011		
COUNTY	Farms	Acres	Development Rights Value	Farms	Acres	Estimated	Farms	Acres	Estimated
Kent County	40	3,448	\$ 44,450,713	22	1,533	\$15,483,300	5	359	\$3,625,400
New Castle County	6	777	\$ 9,717,584	4	345	\$5,175,000			
Sussex County	27	4,161	\$ 53,320,177	28	2,107	\$31,605,137	4	218	\$3,270,014
Totals	73	8,386	\$ 107,488,474	54	3,985	\$52,263,437	9	577	\$6,895,414

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Forestland Current Situation Report

As of Tuesday, November 17, 2009 Prepared By Robin West

Forestland Preservation Areas		
	Number of Properties	Acres
Approved	31	2,402
Pending	3	104
Total	34	2,506

Kent County Areas		
	Properties	Acres
Approved	15	1,044
Pending	2	52
Total	17	1,096

Sussex County Areas		
	Properties	Acres
Approved	16	1,358
Pending	1	52
Total	17	1,410

Forestland Preservation Areas Potential Easement Values Selected 2009			
County	Properties	Acres	Easement Value
Kent	4	304	\$406,902
Kent (Nature Conservancy)	1	123	\$210,074
Sussex	3	259	\$629,177
Sussex (Nature Conservancy)	1	185	\$202,329
Settlements Pending	3	207	\$320,425
Settlements Final	6	674	\$1,128,057
Total	9	871	\$1,448,482